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Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application the undersigned attorney and/or agent of record, hereby appoints Gary R. Tanigawa, Registration No. 43,180, c/o Nixon & Vanderhye PC, 8th Floor, 1100 N. Glebe Road, Arlington, VA 22201-4714, an associate attorney and/or agent to prosecute this application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to receive the patent and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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